

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

Reading Cycle A
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Psalter Week 1
Sunday 26TH JULY 2026
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	25 TH JULY	17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME A	6.00pm	Terry O'Connor R.I.P Mary Newman (nee Salter) R.I.P
SUN	26 TH JULY		10.00am	Roger Provoost R.I.P Paul and Maurice Ryan R.I.P
MON	27 TH JULY	NO WEEKDAY MASSES		
TUES	28 TH JULY			
WED	29 TH JULY			
THURS	30 TH JULY			
FRI	31 ST JULY			
SAT	1 ST AUG	18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Terry O'Connell R.I.P
SUN	2 ND AUG		10.00am	William O'Leary R.I.P Kenny Johnson R.I.P

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Margaret Roche, Mary Newman (nee Salter) and Janette Mackie .
May they rest in eternal peace.

This week we also pray for John Roche (1981), Florence Callan (1982), James Murphy (1984), Dorothy Cox, Dean Parker (1985), Emllyn Jones, Cecilia Lilian O'Leary (1986), William Walters, Winifred Soffe (1987), Paul Donovan, Gian Bozzola, Eleanor Walker (1988), John Harrington, Michael Barry (1989) George Price, Alan Jeremy (1990), Maldwyn Evans (1991) Molly Bryon (1993), Bernard Brocklebank (1994), Alan Spear, Bernard Bull, Ann Owen (1996), Mary Field (1997), Harols Shields (1999), Michael Kennedy (2000), Teresa Brown (2003), Wasył Lukawecki, Johanna Jones (2004), Fr Clive Loosemore (2005), Marjorie Young (2007), John Norman (2008), Nora Weston (2009), John Patrick O'Brien (2011), Helen 'Cissie' Martin, Enid Brahim (2013), Elizabeth Omar (2014), Audry Keane, Lawrence Clarke (2017), Ann Gloria Murray (2021) Paul Ryan (2022), Anthony Bulpin (2023), and all whose anniversaries we remember at this time. We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week.
This week candles will be lit for Mary Millar and Janette Mackie

REQUIEM MASS FOR MARGARET ROCHE, formerly of Avondale Crescent, will take place on Friday 31st July at 10.30am in the Chapel at Nazareth House, Colum Road. All are welcome. May she rest in Peace.

CANON MIKE: As you can see from the above, Canon Mike has had to cancel the Weekday Masses. He is having difficulty with his eyes after the surgery and needs to rest and not strain his eyes trying to read. We are all praying for your speedy recovery Canon..

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY: This is today after the 10.00am Mass. Hopefully the event will be successful. Please remember to put your used plates in the special box so that they can be washed. Good luck with the raffle and the Tombola ! Have a lovely time everyone.

THANK YOU AND HAPPY RETIREMENT: This weekend we say a big thank you and extend our good wishes to Mary Paterson our organist who is retiring after many years of excellent service to our Parish. We wish her and her husband Ivie, every good wish and blessing.

PIETY STALL: New stock in. Lots of lovely things

TEA/COFFEE AND CAKES AFTER THE 10.00AM MASS. Every one is welcome and when the sun is shining what better way to share some time with each other.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION. Anyone who would like to receive this Sacrament please see Canon Mike after any of the Masses. There are guidance leaflets at the back of the Church.

"THE CHOSEN" is a groundbreaking, multi-season historical drama series about the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth, seen through the eyes of those who met him. Download the link <https://watch.thechosen.tv/> and start at series 1. Well worth watching.

LIVE STREAM LINK: Church Services can be viewed live on the Parish Website. Parishioners are reminded that the live stream is always active in the Church and covers the Altar and first 6 rows of the church.

DONATING TO THE PARISH ONLINE: Please see the link on the Home Page on the Parish website

PARISH WEBSITE: This is updated every day. There is the reading for the day, and a reflection, the latest newsletter, times of Masses. There is also a link to the online stream. Find out more, www.stpatrickscardiff.co.uk

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines on the Parish Website and on the Parish Noticeboard First Aid Box is in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and Ward details if possible. Chaplaincy 02921 843230 Please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion contact Canon Mike.

WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE

Each of us has a story to tell about the loss of an everyday object, car or house keys, purse or wallet, glasses or even teeth! My father found on the back seat of his bus a wooden leg! Next time we meet ask me about this. True story. I suppose the person who lost the leg prayed not to St Anthony but to Long John Silver. Ho Ho!!

A few weeks ago I was unable to find my car keys. Searched the house, the Church, retraced my steps from the car, but could not find them. I was getting angry with myself over my stupidity so I sat down to read the paper over a cup of tea, went to the fridge for the milk and on the shelf you've guessed, the keys. Don't ask!

The finding of the keys made me a happy man and made me more careful with these 'important' objects.

Today we hear Jesus telling more parables, short stories that compare two things, usually a physical object with a spiritual one. This time they are about treasure. I have often said that Jesus was a great teller of stories, so what is Jesus telling us today? In the parable of the hidden treasure, the field can represent the world. Jesus is the man who found the treasure and sold all He had to buy the field and we are the treasure. We are worth so much that Christ willingly gave up everything He had, even His life. It expresses how valuable we are to God. He will give everything he has, including His beloved son for the right to call us His. Have you ever thought of yourself as treasure?

Then we come to another parable: the pearl. The Bible has several mentions of pearls and in each case, it is something of extreme value, something to be treasured. Pearls were so precious that they were used to form the gates of the new Jerusalem. It's important to highlight that not only was the merchant actively looking for pearls, but he was specifically looking for a beautiful one. Jesus is the merchant and we are the beautiful pearl. Just as the merchant gave everything he had to obtain the pearl of great price, so Jesus gave everything He had, including His life, to save us and lead us all to His Heavenly Kingdom. We are all precious in His sight and beautiful and God is constantly seeking us. Why not allow yourself to be found?

**Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Seek and ye shall find.**

